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Applicant:

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Examiner: Robert Madsen

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Title:

VACUUM-SEALED PACKAGE CONTAINING FRANGIBLE MATERIALS

(AS AMENDED)

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.31(a)(1), Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated May 19, 2005 (Final Office Action) and the decision dated September 7, 2005 (Advisory Action), of the Examiner rejecting claims 1, 4-17, 21, 22, 24, 27-29, 32-35, 37-39, 41-43, 45-57, 59-65 and 77-79 of the above-identified patent application.

A request for an extension of time to respond to the Examiner's rejection is submitted herewith along with payment of the required extension fee.

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